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In the Application of:

P.W. Kinney et al.

Serial No.: 10/800,302

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For: A RADIO TRANSCEIVER CARD
COMMUNICATING IN A
PLURALITY OF FREQUENCY
BANDS

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COMMENTS ON STATEMENT OF REASONS FOR ALLOWANCE

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Dear Sir:

This paper responds to the Examiner's Statement of Reasons for Allowance ("the Examiner's Statement") which is set forth in the Notice of Allowability in the above-identified application and accompanies the issue/publication fee transmittal (part B).

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REMARKS

Applicants respectfully submit that the documents made of record, taken alone or in combination, fail to fairly describe, teach or suggest "a radio transceiver in the card arranged to communicate in a first frequency band and in a second frequency band different from the first frequency band; a first antenna in the card operably coupled to the radio transceiver; a second antenna in the card operably coupled to the radio transceiver; and a microprocessor in the card arranged to select one of the first and second antennas" as set forth in independent claim 48.

Applicants respectfully submit that the documents made of record, taken alone or in combination, fail to fairly describe, teach or suggest "a communication card including a communication card surface, including a radio circuit disposed within the communication card and including a communication card antenna interface electrically coupled to the radio circuit; a computing device including a housing and an opening in the housing for receiving the communication card within the housing, the computing device comprising a microprocessor and a computing device surface including a plurality of antenna contacts, each contact being arranged to electrically couple to a corresponding one of the plurality of antennas, the communication card surface being arranged to engage the computing device surface so that the communication card antenna interface engages the plurality of antenna contacts; and a plurality of antennas connected to the computing device, wherein the communication card antenna interface is configured to selectively couple to at least one of the antennas selected by the microprocessor when the communication card is located within the opening of the housing" as set forth in independent claim 53.

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Applicants respectfully submit that the Examiner's Statement might imply that the dependent claims are only allowable because they depend from allowed independent claims. However, the Examiner's Statement does not discuss any of the other elements of the claimed subject matter, in particular, those additional elements recited in the dependent claims which may render the dependent claims independently allowable in view of the specification, prosecution file history and/or the documents made of record, either alone or in combination.

Applicants respectfully submit that the Examiner's Statement presents only some of the reasons for allowance of the claims, and that other reasons also exist for allowing the claims such as, for example, those set forth more completely in the record as a whole. This interpretation is consistent with M.P.E.P. § 1302.14, which states that any statement of reasons for allowance "[i]s not intended to necessarily state all the reasons for allowance or all the details why claims are allowed and should not be written to specifically or impliedly state all the reasons for allowance are set forth." M.P.E.P. § 1302.14.

Finally, Applicants agree with the Examiner that claims 48-54 are allowable in view of all of the documents made of record, either alone or in combination. However, Applicants do not necessarily agree or disagree with the Examiner's characterization of the documents made of record, either alone or in combination, or the Examiner's characterization of recited claim elements. In closing, Applicants respectfully reserve the right to argue the characterization of the documents of record, either alone or in combination, or the characterization of the recited claim elements should that need arise in the future.

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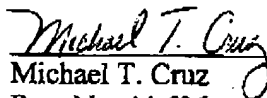
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If the Examiner has questions, or if Applicants can be of assistance, the Examiner is invited and encouraged to contact Applicants' representative at the below-listed telephone number.

The Commissioner is hereby authorized to charge additional fees or credit overpayments to the deposit account of McAndrews, Held & Malloy, Account No. 13-0017.

Dated: September 21, 2005

Respectfully submitted,



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